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Classified By: DCM David J. Keegan,
for reasons 1.4(b) and (d)

¶1. (C) On September 27, Matthew Paterson, Senior Policy Officer in the Security Policy Division at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT) confirmed to PE Couns that GNZ has approved the deployment of a 6-person technical team for UNMAS/UNIFIL, pending UN approval and the identification of force protection and logistics support. The team will offer technical assistance on demining and unexploded ordinances work, and will undertake surveys of mine sites. It will be deployed for 12-months from October.

¶2. (C) Paterson said that the UN has already accepted GNZ's offer of a 4-person demining team (reftel). GNZ is still working to get the appropriate force protection for the team, and anticipates this will come through soon.
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